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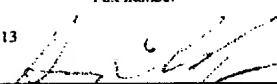
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND  
RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

In further response to the final Office Action mailed on January 12, 2005 and the Advisory Action mailed April 7, 2005, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the amendments set forth in this Supplemental Amendment and Response. The amendments find full support in the claims, specification and/or drawings as filed. Applicants respectfully submit that the Amendments place the claims in form for allowance or, in the alternative, in better form for consideration on appeal.

As indicated in the Advisory Action dated April 7, 2005, the claim amendments set forth in the Amendment and Response filed March 11, 2005 will not be entered. As

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further indicated by the Examiner, in a subsequent telephone interview with the undersigned attorney form Applicant, the amendments set forth in the Supplemental Amendment and Response filed April 1, 2005 will also not be entered.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this Amendment and Response. Remarks begin upon page 9.

A petition for extension of time accompanies this Supplemental Amendment and Response, thereby extending the period for response up to and including May 12, 2005.

The Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the consideration shown to the Applicant in the telephone interviews between the Examiner and the undersigned attorney for Applicant.